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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

File No. ....

S.I., Special Branch *Shanghai*

REPORT

Date August 9, 1938.

Subject (in full) Soviet Russian spies active in Seymour Road.

Made by *h/h* and *h/h* Forwarded by D.I. Crawford

With reference to the attached extract from the "Mainichi", dated August 3, 1938, in regard to Soviet Russian spies occupying a certain place near Seymour Road, D.S. Kamashita made enquiries from the newspaper in an endeavour to elucidate the information but was informed that they did not know themselves. It is believed by them that the place is near the corner of Bubbling Well Road but were unable to give further information.

*C. Crawford*  
D. I.

D.C. (Special Branch)



SOVIET RUSSIAN SPIES ACTIVE

3 AUG 1938

A reporter of this paper has ascertained that Soviet Russian spies, who are actively **exciting** anti-Japanese feelings among Chinese youths in Shanghai, have established a propaganda organ at a certain place near Seymour Road, International Settlement.

The principal duty of the organ is to encourage racial spirit among white Russians who are excited over the Russo-Japanese border trouble. As white Russians had failed to secure assistance from Japan for the movement to recover their fatherland from the reds, white Russians are strongly inducing white Russians to return to their fatherland. On the outbreak of border trouble between Japan and Soviet Russia, certain members of the Russian Emigrants Committee, who had been won over by the Reds, have been very active among young Russians.

Early in April this year a Soviet Russian propaganda organ was formed and on July 25 a meeting was held at a certain place on Avenue Foch when a general plan of activities was drawn up.

A former reporter of the "Izvestia", two white Russians and a Russian woman were present at the meeting. They will undertake to propagate communism among white Russians and Chinese students besides collecting information. Thus Soviet Russian spies have become active in Shanghai.

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# SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

## CRIME DIARY.

CRIME REGISTER No:— Misc. 348/38.

"C" Division.  
Hongkew Police Station.  
June 29th, 1938.

Diary Number:— 2.

Nature of Offence:—

Time at which investigation begun and concluded each day

Places visited in course of investigation each day

### RECORD OF INVESTIGATION.

Further to :- Two Russian females arrested by the Japanese Gendarmerie H.Q., Bridge House.

Sir,

I beg to report that in accordance with the remarks of D.D.O. "C" in the preceding report regarding the above subject, I have approached the Japanese Gendarmerie authorities, when the following has been ascertained.

With a view to stamping out undesirable element making their residences in Hongkew area, the Japanese Gendarmerie authorities with the assistance of the Japanese Naval Landing Party and the Japanese Consular Police carried out a sudden raid on Chinese houses in Hongkew area west of Hongkew Creek including Settlement area between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. on 28/6/38, resulting in the arrest of some one hundred Chinese and a few Russians.

Most of the arrested Chinese were released immediately, but some 60 Chinese are still being kept in the custody of the Gendarmerie H.Q., Bridge House, for enquiries.

The two female Russians in question were arrested by the Gendarmerie authorities in the course of this raid and subsequently released.

S.D.I/c

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# SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

## CRIME DIARY.

CRIME REGISTER No:— 11sc.348/38

"C"

Division.

Hongkew

Police Station.

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Diary Number:— 1.

Nature of Offence:

Time at which  
investigation begun  
and concluded each day

Places  
visited in  
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investigation  
each day

### RECORD OF INVESTIGATION.

Two Russian females arrested by the Japanese  
Gendarmerie H.Q., Bridge House.

At 4 p.m. 28/6/38 one named I. Shaichik, the owner of ~~the~~ house, No. 60 Yuhang Road, came to the station and reported that two Russian females, the sub-tenants of the above house, were arrested on the above premises at about 3 p.m. 28/6/38 by a group of Japanese soldiers comprising of between 15 to 20 men.

After this the informant is unaware as to where they were taken, but from enquiries by detectives it was ascertained that they had been taken to Bridge House. Enquiries failed to elicit the reason for the arrest of the two Russian females but the officer on duty intimated that these persons would be released sometime later during the day (28/6/38).

At 6 p.m., even date, the two females in question were released and on being called to the station gave their particulars as follows :-

1. MINAIDA BABINA, 36, Russian female, dancing hostess, residing 60 Yuhang Road.
2. M.M. MATLINA, 52, Russian female, dancing hostess, residing 60 Yuhang Road.

On being questioned as to why they were arrested and detained the two above named persons stated that they could not offer any reason for this procedure. They further stated that they together with an aged

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*E. J.*  
*29/6*

*D.C. C. Branch*  
*C. J.*



# SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

## CRIME DIARY.

CRIME REGISTER No:—

..... Division.  
..... Police Station.  
..... 19

Diary Number:— 1/2

Nature of Offence:

Time at which  
investigation begun  
and concluded each day

Places  
visited in  
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### RECORD OF INVESTIGATION.

Russian female servant, name unknown, were on the premises when at about 3 p.m. 28/6/38 they were aroused from their slumber by a loud knocking on the front door. Hearing this noise they looked through the window and observed the group of about 15 to 20 Japanese soldiers but being afraid of such large number of men they did not open the door. After a period of about 15 minutes the soldiers using the butts of the rifles smashed the front door and entered the premises and after a thorough search of the premises arrested the two aforementioned females, leaving behind the aged servant, and took them in a Japanese military M/truck to the Bridge House where they were detained as reported above.

Following the arrest of the two Russian females the aged Russian servant decamped. Both females stated that during their detention they were not questioned on any subject.

The two females in question maintain that they are dancing hostresses but it is known to the undersigned that they are prostitutes.

*W. H. Duncan*  
Sen. Det. I/c. *29/6*

*S. B. ...*  
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D.D.O. "C".

## **Big Purge Conducted In Hongkew**

**Chinese And Russians  
Taken Into Custody  
As Sirens Blow**

To the wail of air-raid sirens, Japanese gendarmes, in co-operation with the Naval Landing Party's Settlement Defence Force and the Japanese Consular Police, early yesterday morning carried out domiciliary raids over a three-hour period.

Taken into custody, local Japanese newspapers said, were more than 100 persons, including 80 Chinese, several alleged "Red" Russians, and a number of Japanese. Some of these were released almost immediately, others are being detained for questioning.

The purpose of the raids, the papers said, was to root out undesirable elements who have filtered into areas north of Soochow Creek from the International Settlement and the French Concession. These precautions were being taken because of the recent recrudescence of terrorist activities by anti-Japanese elements in the Settlement and the Concession.

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Singra

July 14th.,

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Report by a male Russian.

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t o-Singra. on 14/7/38 a male house wife was received at Singra Station from F.S. Mills, attached to Footscray Road Station and residing in Majestic Apartments, Bell Road, to the effect that he could hear a Police whistle being blown from the direction of Bell Road. He being in the bath at that time was unable to proceed immediately.

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Detectives proceeded to Bell Road and found a male Russian named Boris Ostoskyitch-Belsky, aged 30, with S.P.C. 4, who had observed him blowing a Police whistle on Bell Road near Hedhurst Road. He was brought to this station where enquiries were first instituted by F.S. Pittinsky, Singra Station, and the undersigned, and later by D.S.I. Prokofiev and D.S. McKeowan, attached to S.I. The following details were obtained:-

The male Russian, who was in a hysterical condition when questioned, stated that he is the owner-manager of the Toyo Motor Service Company, No. 1181 Broadway East, and in the employ of a Japanese named Myamoto, the owner of the Company. He has until recently been residing at No. 7, Lane 30 Baikal Road.

He states that about 12.30 on 17/5/38 he was driving his motor car, Licence No. 2373 over the Garden Bridge

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in the direction of his home after attending a cinema, when he was stopped by Japanese Marines on duty there. These Marines called the Military Police, they evidently having waited for his car, and the Military Police took him to Bridge House.

He states that he was treated courteously and not searched, but asked whether or not he had any friends. He replied that he had a Japanese named Mori working with him, and he was allowed to go with instructions to call this Japanese to Bridge House. He left his car as security.

He returned accordingly with the Japanese named Mori, who was questioned apart from him, and who then left the building.

The informant states that he was detained during the night and that on the following day he was informed by the Japanese Military Police that he was accused of being a spy and that he had been seen taking photographs of the Bridge House at about 5pm. on 15/5/38. He denied this, and a male Russian unknown to him, wearing a raincoat and a mask over his face, entered the room and stated that he had seen the informant take the photo. He was urged to confess, but maintained that he had not taken the photographs.

He was then taken to his home at No.7, Lane 30

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Naikul Hood, then his effects were searched. Several photographs of his friends and an unused roll of film for a camera which he no longer has was seized, and he was then taken back to Bridge House where he states he was tortured by having pencils forced between his fingers and pieces of wood pressed against the calves of his legs, causing him great pain.

This was repeated on several occasions during his confinement in the Bridge House, and early in July he was told that he was to be shot as a spy and was asked to write a letter to any person he wished. He then wrote to a lady friend care of the Union of Ex-Members of the Former Russian Army and Navy. This led to enquiries at that address by the Japanese regarding his status amongst the Russian Community, and on a guarantee by the Association he was released on July 6th., 1938.

He has since resided at various addresses in the French Concession and Settlement, but principally at No. 253 Rue Amiral Courbet, the Headquarters of the Union of Ex-Members of the Former Russian Army and Navy.

At about 12noon on 14/7/38 he visited Apt. 115 of the Majestic Apartments, B'Well Road and spoke with a friend named Mrs. Stefan, to whom he confided what had happened to him in Bridge House.

When communicated with later, Mrs. Stefan stated

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that at about 6pm. she noticed that he was acting strangely, and that his mind appeared to have become unhinged after his ordeal. She then left him to telephone a doctor, and then heard him blowing a Police whistle, which she had previously given him for protection. He then left the station and continued to blow the whistle in the full road.

According to Mrs. Morgan and her sister Mrs. Ward, residing same address, the informant was a normal person prior to his alleged confinement.

During questioning in the C.I.D. Office the informant mentioned the names of two other Russians, known to S.S.I. Prokofiev, who are also detained at Bridge House.

His mind appears to have been affected and he did not wish to leave this station on the grounds that Japanese would be waiting outside for him, and he was accordingly allowed to sleep in this station on the night of 14/7/38.

Copy to D.C. (Special Branch)

Forwarded under Confidential Cover.

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S.S.I. Det.  
D.P.D. "B"

Dr. Watson.  
D.S.I.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

File No. ....

S. 1. Special Branch Station

## REPORT

Date May 29, 1938.

*Subject*.....Reported action by the Japanese Consular Police against

Russian suspected of being spies.

Made by.....D. S. Kamashita

Forwarded by

With reference to the attached translation from the "Mainichi" dated May 24, 1938, regarding Russians suspected of being spies, I have to state that according to the Japanese Consular Police, they were in receipt of information to the effect that the Chinese authorities in co-operation with certain third powers were endeavouring to collect information concerning the activities of the Japanese Army and Navy and the general situation in Japan. It is further stated that a number of those Russians are employed by these interested powers to attain the above object. In view of the recent increase of Russian emigrants visiting Japan, Manchuria, and Chinese cities in the Japanese occupied areas, the Japanese Consular Police are keeping a careful watch on the movements of these persons.

*H. Kamaishi*  
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D. C. (Special Branch).

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JAPANESE CONSULAR POLICE TO DEAL WITH WHITE RUSSIAN SPIES

It is reported that the number of white Russians desiring to obtain passports to Japan, Tsingtao, Tientsin and Chefoo has increased so heavily that the Japanese Consular Police have to interview about 30 Russians every day. Upon being informed that some of the white Russians are engaged in espionage activities, the Japanese Consular Police, in co-operation with the Japanese Military Police, will make a thorough investigation and deal with these spies. They have decided not to issue passports to Russian suspects.

D.S. Hamilton

E. J. J.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

File No. ....

Section 1, Special Branch *8520*

REPORT

Date *May 12, 1938*

Subject *Two Russians arrested by the Japanese Gendarmerie (H/Misc.259/38)*

Made by *D.S.I. Prokofiev.*

Forwarded by *C. G. G. D. D.*

Of the four individuals mentioned in the attached file, Theodore L. Blinoff forms the subject of a criminal record, the particulars of which are as follows:-

<u>Offence</u>	<u>Sentence</u>	<u>Date of sentence</u>
Larceny	6 months	3.4.36
	Released	21.9.36
Soliciting for alms	3 days detention	15.6.37
Assault	20 days of 20.	26.6.37
Larceny	3 months	17.1.38
	Released	10.4.38

( C.R.O. 1437 )

Nothing detrimental is known by this office regarding A.G. Matveenko, A.S. Savon and Bruderer .

No confirmation is so far available of the report regarding the arrest of 10 Russians on suspicion of being concerned in the theft of cable in the Yangtszepoo district.

*A. Prokofiev*  
D. S. I.

D. C. ( Special Branch)

*cc'd to Sir 276*  
*Noted; with many thanks*  
*E. G. G.*

*Special Branch*

# SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

## CRIME DIARY.

CRIME REGISTER No:— Misc.259/38

"C"

Division.

Hongkew

Police Station.

May 9.

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Diary Number:—

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Nature of Offence:—

Time at which  
investigation begun  
and concluded each day

Places  
visited in  
course of  
investigation  
each day

### RECORD OF INVESTIGATION.

Two Russians arrested by the Japanese  
Gendarmerie Headquarters.

Sir,

On 5/5/38 one named K.S. Savon, Russian, mechanic, employed by the Economic Transport Company, 150 Kiukiang Road, came to the Station and reported that his M/car "Essex" make, licence 7930, was missing.

He further stated that he hired his M/car out at \$10.00 per day to one named A.G. Matveenکو, Russian, residing 479 Cardinal Mercier, and as this person had not put in an appearance since 1/5/38 he reported the matter to the Police.

It so happened that prior to receiving this report the undersigned had visited the Japanese Gendarmerie Headquarters, Bridge House, and observed the complainant's M/car parked outside the building and as it is also a known fact that recently A.G. Matveenکو was engaged in smuggling sugar to the South of Creek it was quite probable for that offence that he was detained together with the M/car by the gendarmes. The complainant was referred to the Gendarmerie Office.

On 7/5/38 the complainant came to the station again and reported that owing to language difficulties he was unable to get any information from the above offices.

*W.S.D. Rukofier*

13 MAY 1938

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# SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

## CRIME DIARY.

CRIME REGISTER No:—

.....Division.  
.....Police Station.  
.....19

Diary Number:—

Nature of Offence:—

Time at which investigation begun and concluded each day	Places visited in course of investigation each day
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### RECORD OF INVESTIGATION.

At 10.30 a.m. 7/5/38, accompanied by the complainant J.D.S.137 Suga and the undersigned visited the Gendarmerie Offices and it was ascertained that two Russians were arrested by them in the complainant's M/car and were still detained by them. The names of arrested persons as follows :-

- (1) Andrei Grigorievich MATVENKO, Russian, residing 479 Cardinal Mercier.
- (2) T. Blinoff, 32, Russian, mechanic, ex-convict charged from this station on 12/1/38 for looting. (Hongkew F.I.R.11/38) formerly residing House 9, Lane 50 off Ward Road.

At the Gendarmerie office the complainant was questioned at length re his acquaintance with the above two Russians and after he (complainant) had proved the ownership of the detained M/car, the same was returned to him.

During investigation the undersigned was asked to act as an interpreter and it was learned that one named Bruderer, Swiss subject, residing House 7, Lane 256, Av. Dubail also connected with the two above named Russians and the complainant was again subjected to interrogation by the Gendarmerie officer re Bruderer's present whereabouts.

The date and reason for the arrest of the two

# SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

## CRIME DIARY.

CRIME REGISTER No:—

.....Division.

.....Police Station.

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Diary Number:—

Nature of Offence:—

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### RECORD OF INVESTIGATION.

Russians was not disclosed to the undersigned as same considered a Military secret.

Later it was heard that two Russians in this case together with about ten others were arrested by the Japanese Military Authorities on suspicion of having cut the wire of the Military Communication line somewhere in Yangtszepoo District and stole length of cable approximately 180 meters long.

On 8/5/38 an article appeared in the "Shanghai Nippo" according to which more than ten Russians were being detained by the Japanese Military Authorities on suspicion of being connected with the cutting and theft of the cable and it is believed that the two aforementioned Russians were arrested in connection with this case.

Enquiries proceeding.

*W. Duncan* all documents  
Sen. Det. I/c. 10/8 D. S. 211.

D. D. O. "C".

*Special Branch*  
**SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.**

**CRIME DIARY.**

CRIME REGISTER No:— **Misc. 242/38.**

"C" Division.  
**Hongkew** Police Station.  
**May 18,** 19 **38.**

Diary Number:— **3.**

Nature of Offence:—

Time at which  
investigation begun  
and concluded each day

Places  
visited in  
course of  
investigation  
each day

**RECORD OF INVESTIGATION.**

**Three male Russians arrested  
by J.N.L. Party.**

J.D.S. 137 Suga reports having visited the Japanese Gendarmerie Headquarters, Bridge House, at 10 a.m. 18/5/38 and interviewed Major Yoshioka with a view to obtain further information regarding the three Russians arrested on 2/5/38, namely, E.M. Yashin, T.L. Barinoff and one other whose name was not disclosed.

Major Yoshioka informed J.D.S. 137 Suga that the name of the third Russian was M.G. Grelenko, Russian, age 44, and that they had been arrested as a military necessity details of which were not divulged. They were questioned at the Gendarmerie Headquarters and released together on the afternoon of the 13/5/38.

Enquiries by D.Ss. Beloshenko and Craig ascertained that the three Russians are named as follows and not as given out by the Gendarmeries:-

**E.M. Yashin, Russian, age 22, residing House 10, Passage 64, Route Pichon.**

**T. Blinoff, Russian, age 36, residing House 10, Passage 64, Route Pichon.**

**M. Shiversky, Russian, age 19, residing 587 Avenue Foch.**

On being questioned the three abovenamed persons stated that they were closely questioned regarding the smuggling of arms and ammunition into the Yangtszepoo



*D.S.D. Beloshenko  
E. 19/5*

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*Note: with many thanks*

*to S.S. S. K.*

# SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

## CRIME DIARY.

CRIME REGISTER No:—

.....Division.  
.....Police Station.  
.....19

Diary Number:— 3/2

Nature of Offence:—

Time at which investigation begun and concluded each day	Places visited in course of investigation each day
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### RECORD OF INVESTIGATION.

District and supplying same to Chinese snipers. They were released at about 5 p.m. 13/5/38.

On the 16/5/38, E.M. Yashin was arrested for looting and charged from Hongkew Station and sentenced to 8 months imprisonment, vide (H) F.I.R. 384/38.

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*W. Duncan*  
Sen. Det. i/c.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

File No. ....

Section 1, Special Branch. *Station 1*

REPORT

Date *May 7* 1938

Subject (in full) *Three male Russians arrested by J.N.L.P. (H/Misc. 242/38)*

Made by *D.S.I. Prokofiev.*

Forwarded by *C. G. ...*

Of the three Russians mentioned in the attached file Evgeny M. Yashin, 22, forms the subject of C.R.C. 2700, the particulars of which are as follows:-

- 22-12-36: Sentenced by the 1-st S.S.D. Court to 6 months imprisonment on a charge of Godownbreaking.
- 10-2-37: Released on security.
- 13-4-37: Appeal Court. Original judgment cancelled. Accused found not guilty.
- 23-3-38: Two months imprisonment -suspended for two years- on a charge of assault.

His brother, Vladimir Yashin, 34, was sentenced by the the 1st S.S.D. Court on 13-4-37 to 6 months imprisonment-suspended for 2 years- on a charge of Larceny by breaking protective device.

There are two individuals named Boulatoff who have criminal records.

Nothing detrimental is known to this office regarding I.I. Barignoff.

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*SB*

*A. Prokofiev*  
D.S.I.

D.C. (Special Branch)

*Noted; with many thanks*  
*S. P. ...*



*Special Branch*  
**SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.**

**CRIME DIARY.**

CRIME REGISTER No:— *Misc. 242/38.*

"C" Division.  
*Hongkew* Police Station.  
*May 3,* 19 *38.*

Diary Number:— *1.*

Nature of Offence:—

Time at which  
investigation begun  
and concluded each day

Places  
visited in  
course of  
investigation  
each day

**RECORD OF INVESTIGATION.**

Three male Russians arrested  
by J.N.L.P.

Sir,

At 4.30 p.m. 2/5/38, Japanese Naval sentries on duty at Garden Bridge took into custody three male foreigners together with M/car Lic. No.7939.

Enquiries by D.S. Beloshenko, J.D.'s 137 and 161 and the undersigned learned that the men were Russians named *E.M. YASHIN*, *A.M. BARINOFF* and one whose name was not disclosed. They were first taken to the Japanese Defense Force Headquarters, Hannan Road and later to Military Gendarmerie Headquarters, Bridge House, where they are still detained. Detectives were unable to ascertain the reason for their arrest and detention, Gendarmerie officers being unwilling to give any information.

Enquiries at the traffic office ascertained that one named *E.M. YASHIN*, Russian, residing at House 10, Passage 64, Route Michon, is the owner of M/car Lic. No.7939.

With assistance from the French Police, this address was visited at 7 a.m. 3/5/38 and it was learned that Yashin had not been home during the night of the 2/5/38. During the course of enquiries in French town



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*D.S.D. P. Kokofiev.*  
*C. 3/5.*

*Do you know them?*

# SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

## CRIME DIARY.

CRIME REGISTER No:—

.....Division.  
.....Police Station.  
.....19

Diary Number:—

Nature of Offence:—

Time at which investigation begun and concluded each day	Places visited in course of investigation each day
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### RECORD OF INVESTIGATION.

it was learned that a Russian named Boulatoff, address unknown was seen together with Yashin in his car at about 10 a.m. 2/5/38, therefore he is probably the Russian whose name was not disclosed.

The Gendarmerie Headquarters will be visited again on the 3/5/38 with a view to obtaining detailed information regarding the arrest of the three Russians.

*Whelan*  
TEN. DEP. 1/c. 3/5

*S. Craig*  
D. C. 325.

D. D. O. "C".

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# SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

## CRIME DIARY.

CRIME REGISTER No:—*Disc. 141/38.*

*'C'* Division.  
Horse Police Station.  
*DET. B.* 19 *30.*

Diary Number:— *2.*

Nature of Offence:—

Time at which investigation begun and concluded each day	Places visited in course of investigation each day
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### RECORD OF INVESTIGATION.

At 2 p.m. 7/5/38, D.C. Beloshenko and J.D.C. 137 visited the Japanese Gendarmerie Headquarters in connection with another case and at the same time enquired as to why W.A. YADHI, W.L. KARINOFF and one other whose name was not disclosed were arrested and asked to furnish particulars. The two above officers were informed that the three Russians were still detained at Bridge House and they were arrested owing to military necessity under very grave suspicion but did not divulge the nature of the circumstances leading to their arrest neither was the name of the third person disclosed. The m/car is still detained in the compound of Bridge House.

*D.C. 137.*

*Copies of translation forwarded to D.C. Duncan as requested.*

*W. Duncan*  
GEN. DET. 1/0.

*D.B. 9/5*

*S. Craig*  
D.S.

FILE P.A. & D.C. (S.E.)

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May 7, 1938.

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EXPOSURE OF RED ESPIONAGE: FIVE PERSONS INCLUDING  
LADOVENOFF ARRESTED

The activities of communists and of anti-Japanese elements have been much restricted by the measures adopted by the Japanese army and other authorities, nevertheless they are still desperately attempting to do something.

On May 1 a bomb was thrown at a Japanese military truck on Nanking Road.

At 4.30 p.m. May 3 a large quantity of anti-Japanese handbills was distributed on Nanking Road from the roof garden of the Sun Company on Nanking Road.

At 5 p.m. May 4 a large quantity of anti-Japanese literature was found in a room at the Grand Hotel on Yu Yah-ching Road.

A sensation was created by a report that a number of red Russian spies had smuggled themselves into Hongkew District to collect information. According to reports received, a strange motor car bearing license plate No. 7920 together with another motor car carrying certain dangerous articles sold to anti-Japanese elements crossed the Garden Bridge from the area south of the Soodlow Creek on May 1. Upon receiving the above information, the Japanese authorities kept a sharp look-out for the motor car bearing No. 7930 and at 10 p.m. the same day they succeeded in arresting the car and took it to the branch of the Japanese Military Police in the International Settlement.

The Japanese Military Police are keeping a close watch on the activities of organizations suspected to be red intelligence agents. According to certain

information a red spy agent has established his headquarters on Chushan Road. The mother of a Russian named Madovenko, proprietress of a white Russian brothel, is the chief of the spies. She is reported to have received a large sum of money from <sup>the</sup> Soviet Russian Government for her activities.

The S.M.P. have secretly arrested Madovenko and five other Russians and are making a careful investigation to ascertain the activities of red spies in Shanghai.

One Soviet Russian named Petorinsky is reported to be responsible for all espionage activities in Shanghai. Efforts are being made to learn the nature of the connection between Petorinsky, Madovenko's mother, the motor car in question, and the communist anti-Japanese group.

Memorandum.

POLICE FORCE,  
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL,

To Shanghai, 9-5 1938  
CBS Ross

There are articles  
in the "Shanghai  
Nippo" of May 6/7  
bearing on this  
subject; - now  
we have copies  
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